

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraphs [0015 - 0017] with the following amended paragraphs:

[0015] Still referring to FIG 1, apertures 21 in the form of wash through holes extend through the substrate 12 from the surface 16. The cross-section of the wash through holes 21 is application dependent as well as the number and placement of the holes. Accordingly the number and location of the wash through holes shown in FIG. 1 is illustrative and should not be construed in a limiting sense.

[0016] As shown in FIG. 2, each microshaving element 14 extends from the [[surface 14]] surface 16 of the substrate 12 and includes a pillar-like portion 22 that is attached to a cutting portion 24, which defines the cutting edge 18. In the illustrated embodiment, the cutting edge is shown as being continuous about a circular cutting portion. However, the present invention is not limited in this regard as the blade 24 could be of any shape, such as triangular or even prismatic. It is also not a requirement that the cutting edge 18 [[be]] extend the full 360 degrees around the periphery of the cutting portion. The cutting edge 18 can be presented in any arc portion and can also be discontinuous.

[0017] The guard elements 20 extend outwardly from the substrate [[surface 14.]] surface 16. The depicted guard elements 20 are generally cylindrical and have a non-planar convex distal end 28. However, the present invention is not limited in this regard as the distal end 28 can of any shape. The precise positioning of the distal surfaces 28 relative to the cutting edges 18 can vary and in the illustrated embodiment are shown approximately even with the cutting edges 18. The guard elements 20 are positioned in a repeating pattern similar to the repeating pattern of the microshaving elements 18. However, the invention is not limited in this regard as non-repeating patterns or no patterns at all are also contemplated by the present invention.